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International Festival of Dance
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to organise an International Festival of Dance in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the venue of the said festival along with the names of the participating countries;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any programme of such kind had been organised in the past in India; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (e): No, Madam. However, Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), an organisation under Ministry of External Affairs has been organizing an annual event called "International Dance and Music Festival". The latest edition of the International Dance and Music Festival was organized by ICCR in New Delhi from 10-19 January, 2017. The next edition of the Festival is being tentatively planned from 13-15 January, 2018 at Kamani Auditorium, New Delhi. The details of the event and venues alongwith participating countries held since 2014 is given at Annexure.

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ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2794 due for answer on 20.03.2017

Details of the events organised by Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR)

1. International Dance & Music Festival
at Kamani Auditorium from 27th October to 3rd November, 2014
(i) 10-member 'Gakku' Dance Ensemble group Kazakhstan 27th Oct to 1st Nov. 2014 Delhi & Jaipur
(ii) 6-member Aswara Dance Company Malaysia 27th Oct to 1st Nov, 2014 Delhi & Jammu
(iii) 13-member Dance & Music group J&K, India 29th to 30th Oct, 2014 Delhi
(iv) 2-member Dance group Russia 28th Oct to 2nd Nov, 2014 Delhi & IIT Roorkee
(v) 5-member Shye Ben Tzur group Israel 29th to 31st Oct, 2014 Delhi
(vi) Dani Pannullo Dance Theatre Spain 29th Oct to 3rd Nov, 2014 Delhi & Ahmadabad
2. International Dance and Music Festival
at Kamani Auditorium from 17th January to 24th January 2016
i) 20 member Mani Puri
Group, India India - Delhi
ii) 7 Member Dance & Music group Kyrgyzstan 17-24 January 2016 Delhi, Guwahati & Kolkata
iii) 5 Member dance presentation by"the Rainbow Island" Mauritius 17-24 January 2016 Delhi, Lucknow & Allahabad
iv) 10-Member group "Arpeggio Creative Dance and Drama Academy" Sri Lanka 16-23 January 2016 Goa, Delhi, & Jammu
v) 9-member Dance & Music group
South Africa 15 − 21 January 2016 Bhopal & Delhi
vi) 7-Member Dance presentation by Tanjai Kamalaa Indira Dance school Malaysia 17-23 January 2016 Chandigarh, Delhi & Bangalore
3. International Dance & Music Festival
at Kamani Auditorium from 10th January to 19th January, 2017
(i) 10-member Contemporary dance group Germany 10-20-January, 2017 Delhi, Goa, Baroda & Mumbai
(ii) 15-member dance & Music group Vietnam 12-19-January, 2017` Delhi, Bangaluru & Trivendrum
(iii) 10-member 'Akkerbez' National Dance Ensemble group Kazakhstan 6-15 January, 2017 Port Blair, Guwahati, Shillong & Delhi
(iv) 5-member 'El Darado Perfroming Art' group Guyana 12-19 January, 2017 Delhi & Jaipur
(v) 11-member 'Abaveli Maskandi' dance & music group South Africa 10-15 January, 2017 Chandigarh & Delhi
(vi) 26-member 'State Dance Ensemble' group Belarus 12-16 January, 2017 Kolkata & Delhi

(vii) 7-member 'Samudra Performing Arts' group Trivandrum 13-16 January, 2017 Delhi.